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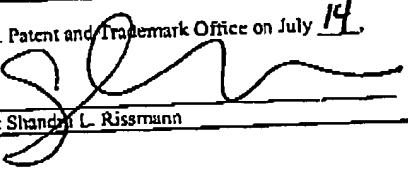
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Title:	COUPLING ENCLOSURE APPARATUS FOR DISPENSING VALVE ASSEMBLY		

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

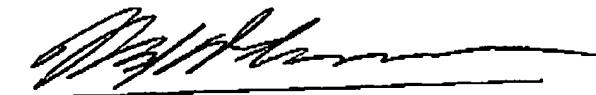
In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 3-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed January 21, 2004, said period of response being extended from April 21, 2004 to July 21, 2004.

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